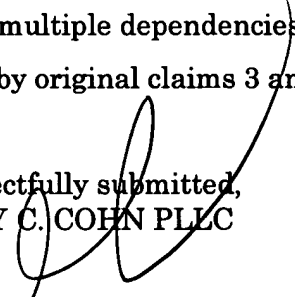


REMARKS

The abstract is amended to put it into the form of a single paragraph.

The claim amendments are made to remove multiple dependencies and insert claims of equivalent scope. The new claims are supported by original claims 3 and 4.

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